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WITH SELECTIVE MELANOCORTIN 4-RECEPTOR

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## AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2009, for which a response is due October 1, 2009.

Any additional fees associated with this Amendment may be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

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